

Stephenson Area Public Schools School Board Meeting – June 22, 2026

Public Hearing of the Stephenson Public School Board of Education was called to order by President Don Cugini at 6:00 p.m. on June 22, 2026.

Matthew Ives called the roll with Don Cugini, Matthew Ives, Lance Johnson, Adam Olson, Natalie Winkler and Superintendent Jerry Sardina present. Scott Marcoe and Barb Zahorik absent. Don Cugini declared a quorum present.

Administration Present –Faye Phelps

Motion by A. Olson second by L. Johnson adjourn at 6:01pm. Carried 5-0

School board meeting of the Board of Education of the Stephenson Area Public Schools was called to order by President Don Cugini at 6:02 p.m. on June 22, 2026.

Matthew Ives called the roll with Don Cugini, Matthew Ives, Lance Johnson, Adam Olson, Natalie Winkler and Superintendent Jerry Sardina present. Scott Marcoe and Barb Zahorik absent. Don Cugini declared a quorum present.

Administration Present –Faye Phelps

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the Board

This meeting is a meeting of the Board of Education in public for the purpose of conducting the School District's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is a time for public participation during the meeting as indicated in the agenda."

Guest/Public Comment – No Public Comments
Guidelines are printed on the backside of the agenda

Motion by A. Olson second L. Johnson to amend the agenda as presented. Carried 5-0

Student Representative – NA

Presentations- 26/27 Budget Proposal Faye Phelps and Jerry Sardina

Motion by L. Johnson second by N. Winkler approve Form S, School of Choice Menominee County ISD Verification form for the 2026-2027 School Year. Carried 5-0

Motion by L. Johnson second M. Ives approve resignation from Shanna Kuntze as Junior High Girls Track Coach. Carried 5-0

Motion by N. Winkler second A. Olson Approve the Raise on the Deductible on the SET SEG Property Casualty Insurance Coverage as presented by the Superintendent. Carried 5-0

Motion by L. Johnson second A. Olson Approve hiring Andrea Grinsteiner as Special Ed Teacher. Carried 5-0

Motion by A. Olson second N. Winkler approve moving Cherie Kirkpatrick from Elementary Aide to GSRP. Carried 5-0

Motion by N. Winkler second M. Ives approve the 2026-2027 Budget. Carried 5-0

Motion by L. Johnson second A. Olson approve the 2026 tax rate request (L-4029). Carried 5-0

Motion by L. Johnson second A. Olson approve Havelka Construction and Peshtigo Asphalt Bids for North Parking Lot. Carried 5-0

Motion by N. Winkler second A. Olson approve the NEOLA Vol 40, No. 2 February 20026 Policy Updates. Carried 5-0

Motion by A. Olson second by L. Johnson to approve going into closed session to discuss negotiations.
Roll Call Don Cugini-Y, Matthew Ives-Y, Lance Johnson-Y, Scott Marcoe -NA, Adam Olson-Y, Natalie Winkler-Y,
Barb Zahorik-NA Time 6:47pm Carried 5-0

Motion by A. Olson second L. Johnson to approve going back into open session.
Time 7:53pm Carried 5-0

Motion by A. Olson second by N. Winkler to approve the 2026-2029 Stephenson Educators Contract.
Carried 5-0

Motion by L. Johnson second by M. Ives to approve Non-Union Contracts for Wages and Assignments for 2026-2027. Carried 5-0

Motion by L. Johnson second N. Winkler to approve the Michigan Education Support Personnel Association 2026-2029 Contract. Carried 5-0

Motion by N. Winkler second A. Olson approve Superintendents Effectiveness rating as Effective. Carried 5-0

Motion by L. Johnson second by M. Ives adjourn at 7:58pm. Carried 5-0

July School Board Meeting: July 27, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.

CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the above is a true copy of the proposed minutes of a Board meeting held on June 22nd, 2026 and that said proposed minutes have been available to the public at the address designated on the posted public notice of said hearing from and after the 27th day of July, 2026.


Secretary, Matthew Ives